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NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION HOSTS HERITAGE MONTH EVENT

The Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission is hosting an event in celebration of American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month on November 3, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Indiana Statehouse. The program, entitled, “Educating Youth about Native Truth,” is an interactive event designed to teach students about the Indigenous people of Indiana and the United States. The public is invited to attend.

Highlighting the day is the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians’ Dance Troupe, who will be providing dance presentations and teaching about their culture at 10:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 12:45 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. Other tribal representation will include the Navajo Nation, Miami of Indiana, Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, Miami of Oklahoma, Cheyenne and Arapaho of Oklahoma, and Winnebago of Nebraska. Everyone is welcome to join in the dancing!

In advance of the event, students received a Treasure Hunt list with questions about the Tribes who will be represented on Friday. The questions, such as, “What part of the cattail plant did the Miami people eat?” will encourage them to visit the tables and learn about the history and culture of each Tribe.

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